

COUNCIL CHAMBERS CITY COUNCIL
CITY HALL - CITY OF LODI
WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 1, 1948

REGULAR meeting beginning at 8:00 P.M. of Wednesday, September 1, 1948.

Councilmen present: Bull, Haskell, Lytle and Mayor Rinn (4)
Councilmen absent : Tolliver (1)

Copies of the last regular meeting held August 18th and of the intervening adjourned meeting held August 25th having been previously furnished each Councilman, no errors or omissions were noted and the minutes ordered approved as written.

REPORTS OF THE CITY MANAGER -

City Manager H. D. Weller reported orally on a conference had between himself, Assistant Division Engineer Clarence Bovee and City Projects Engineer R. L. Potter of the District X office of the Division of Highways and Mr L. V. Campbell of Headquarters offices of the same bureau relative to amending Project 21 of the Project Agreement for 1948 fiscal year so as to conform with the Council's expression contained in Resolution No. 1434 of August 18th. The principal feature of this discussion was concerned with the drainage of Highways 4 and 24 for disposal of storm waters as well as on city streets in the area tributary to these highways. The highway engineers had promised to consider participation by the State in a storm drain line, probably along North Stockton Street or at a more easterly location, that would have the same effect as a drain along Highway 4 and would serve more major streets with some possible savings in costs. Mr Weller recommended that the City approve Project 21 with the provisions for traffic channelization omitted so that there would be no delays in the installation of the traffic signals on Project 15 of the same agreement. This approval was made by the adoption of Resolution No. 1437, introduced by Councilman Bull, Haskell second and passed by the following vote:

AYES: Councilmen, Bull, Haskell, Lytle and Rinn
NCES: Councilmen, None. ABSENT, Councilman Tolliver.

At this time H. E. Mahaffey and Walter Knolhoff, President and Secretary respectively of Lodi Grape & Wine Festival addressed the Council requesting that the City waive the collection of admissions tax to the Festival's performances in the Stadium this year, stating that the officers of the Association had proceeded on the assumption that this charge would be abated as in previous years. It was then moved by Councilman Bull, Lytle second and carried that no collection of admission tax to the Festival Association be made for this year only and that the minutes of August 18, 1948 be so amended, such charge to be fixed in succeeding years at the time when the Association notified the City Council of the dates of its Fall celebration.

Mr Mahaffey also requested the privilege of locating the carnival sponsored by the Grape & Wine Festival on the Lawrence Park Ball Park. City Manager Weller stated that the City had spent considerable money recently in placing this park in playable condition and that it was evident that the presence of the carnival would do damage to the field. Mayor Rinn appointed a committee with full power to act in locating this carnival, consisting of Councilman Bull, Mr Weller and Park Superintendent Bruner.

On motion of Councilman Bull, Haskell second, and on recommendation of the City Manager, Lodi Grape and Wine Festival was permitted to move the fence at the Northwest corner of the Stadium so as to permit access to grounds North of the Stadium proper, such work to be to the satisfaction of the Park Superintendent and the Association to assume and pay

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any damages that might accrue to neighboring properties by reason of the opening or use of the space thereby made available.

N.S.J. WATER
CONSERVATION
DISTRICT
PROTECTIVE
AGREEMENT

At this time Mr Reuben P. Rott, Attorney for Northern San Joaquin Water Conservation District (in organization) requested that the City enter into an agreement requested by the County Counsel of San Joaquin County that would protect the County from any payment other than for its contribution to the first year's cost, from payments to the State of California for water surveys in the tentative district. It was moved by Councilman Haskell, Bull second, that the City enter into such an agreement subject to the approval of the City Attorney. This agreement was considered by the City Council as merely a matter of form as there is apparently no obligation for the State to continue after the existing contributions are exhausted.

L.U.H.S.
STADIUM TAX
AGREEMENT
AMENDMENT
ORDERED.

Mr Weller stated that Mr J. E. Conklin, Director of Athletics of Lodi Union High School was in full accord with the City's proposal to increase the present Stadium tax from 5¢ to 10¢ per head, such charge of 10¢ to apply to all tickets for High School performances in Lodi Stadium other than to holders of Lodi Student Body Tickets, the charge on these last named admissions to be 5¢. Amendment of the agreement of May 5, 1940 to embody the above change ordered on motion of Councilman Bull, Haskell second.

BUSINESS
LICENSE
APPLICATIONS

Business License Applications - Three new applications read and ordered referred to the Chief of Police; applications presented August 18th approved except the application of Manuel Ellison for a Card and Dice Game License at 118 North Cherokee Lane, which application was ordered laid over for further investigation.

LAWRENCE
PARK BASE
BALL PARK
IMPROVEMENTS
DISCUSSED

Mr Weller discussed with the City Council, ways and means to secure additional facilities at the Lawrence Park Baseball Field, particularly lighting and seating. He stated that baseball enthusiasts proposed securing \$13,000, estimated cost of lighting fixtures, and taking over the field until reimbursed from receipts. Mayor Rinn objected, suggesting that these people put up the \$13,000 and repay those advancing it from receipts, later, when funds are available, the City would provide an approximate matching amount to provide other facilities. It was suggested that the local school districts and the County of San Joaquin should also be contributing parties as the field is used by outside players and the schools to a greater extent than by City residents.

The proposed business license tax ordinance now in the hands of the Councilmen was laid over until Councilman Tolliver could be present.

FUND TRANSFERS
ORDERED

Transfers in amounts budgeted for two purposes were ordered; From Contingent Fund to General Fund \$ 1,166.67 to pay the cost of compromising the damage suit of Jay Loveless; from Contingent Fund to General Fund \$5,500.00 to pay for the additional lands acquired from Coffelt for waste disposal.

W. A. NORUM
ASST BLDG
INSPECTOR

At this time City Manager Weller reported the appointment of Wallace A. Norum as Assistant City Building Inspector and asked that the Council waive the provision made in the specification requiring registration as a Civil Engineer. Mr Norum to begin work September 12th at a salary of \$300.00 per month. Waiver for of a period of six months of the above noted requirement allowed on motion of Councilman Haskell, Lytle second

TWO
BUS STOPS
DISCONTINUED

Mr Weller reported that Superintendent of Streets Bruner had informed him that Lodi Transit System had discontinued use of two down-town bus stops and that these spaces were now available for parking.

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MAIL BOXES
MOUNTED
CARRIER
DELIVERY

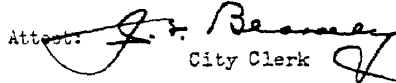
Owing to the extension of carrier mail delivery by mounted City carriers instead of by Rural Free Delivery to many residences in the outer parts of the City, the City Manager requested that the City Council permit the erection of mail boxes outside the curb lines. Suggestion accepted and permission granted provided that the City reserves the right to revoke this permission at any time and that the box owner hold the City harmless from any damages that might accrue from his encroachment on a public street.

SCHOKOS-SCHAUER for rental of the northern portion of Salem School Grounds for approximately two and one half months was accepted and the execution of a lease agreement authorized.

POLICE REPORT Mr. Weller read the report of Millard L. Fore, Chief of Police covering the activities of the Police Department for the month of August.

DOLLINGER
SEWER
CONNECTION Christ Dollinger, NE corner of Lockeford Street and Ham Lane having given the City a free easement for its pole line paralleling the Southern Pacific Woodbridge Branch Railroad, he was granted permission to connect to the Lockeford Street sewer, such connection to be at his own expense and service to be subject to the established rates for sewer rental to outside premises,

At 10:29 P.M. the City Council adjourned on motion of Councilman Lytle.

Attest:  City Clerk

Copies of the foregoing minutes
mailed to each Councilman and to
the City Manager September 8, 1943